Winchester Hillside Aglow With Azaleas, Grown by Harvard Professor

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If you were to turn the corner of Cliff St., in Winchester during the middle and latter part of May, you might just chance upon a glimpse of the hillside aglow with brilliantly colored azaleas, including many that will remain in bloom throughout the summer. The gardener responsible for this breathtaking display is the famous sociologist Prof. Pitirim Sorokin of Harvard University. Since 1931, he has been adding new plants and varieties to the hillside garden, which he believes was the earliest of its kind in New England.

The garden is located on the hillside of the former Clapp Farm, which was once known as the "Clapp Hill" and "Clapham Hill." The farm was purchased by Harvard University in 1920 and was later sold to the Massachusetts Audubon Society. The garden is now known as the "Sorokin Hillside Garden."

The garden is open to the public from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily. It is located at 600 Clapp Farm Road, Winchester, MA. For more information, call (781) 729-7562.

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PITIRIM SOROKIN WORKING IN HIS AZALEA GARDEN